

MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION

Threshold for Capital Expenditures

The Maryland Health Care Commission provides the following notice of a change to the dollar amount that establishes the level of capital expenditure, proposed "by or on behalf of a health care facility" regulated by the Commission, that will require Certificate of Need review, pursuant to Health-General Article, §19-120(k), Annotated Code of Maryland. As a result of HB 1015/SB832 (2006 General Assembly session), effective June 1, 2006, the threshold for capital expenditures, as defined by COMAR 10.24.01.01(B39), has increased to \$10,000,000 for hospitals and \$5,000,000 for health care facilities other than hospitals for the remainder of calendar year 2006. Thereafter, the Commission will adjust the statutory capital expenditure review threshold of \$10,000,000 for hospitals and \$5,000,000 for all other health care facilities on an annual basis, according to the Consumer Price Index-Urban (CPI-U) for the Baltimore Metropolitan Area published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, rounded off to the nearest \$50,000. For further information about the Certificate of Need capital review threshold, please contact Nadine Connor at (410) 764-3285.